

PREACHERS WORTH HEARING

IX.

DR. JAMES M. KING OF THE PARK AVENUE CHURCH.

FIVE SUCCESSIVE PASTORATES IN THIS CITY—HIS SERMON ON "REST."

The Rev. Dr. James M. King, of the Park Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, is one of the best known preachers in his denomination, not merely in this city where he has been for fourteen years, but throughout the country as well. He has served successively St. John's, the Washington Square, and St. James, the Eighteenth Street and the Park Avenue churches. In each of these five important pastorates there have been large attractions to the church, no year has passed without revival interest, and in most instances large revival meetings.

But not alone as a pastor has he been eminently successful. He is a born leader, with a genial manner, a commanding presence and an indomitable will. For many years he has been an active worker in the Evangelical Alliance, as chairman of the Executive Committee and the Committee on Legislative Action. After Dr. Prince's death Dr. King became its honorary secretary. Two years ago the Executive committee, in appreciation of Dr. King's work in opposing the "Freedom of Worship" bill and the division of the public school fund, adopted a series of resolutions, one of them being:

Resolved, That we accept with profound satisfaction the report of the official committee, Special Committee on the so-called "Freedom of Worship" bill; that we approve the efforts made by the committee to expose the principles and practices of the movement of that name; and that we, in our judgment, give to the Dr. King is entitled to the thanks of this Alliance, and of all Americans who cherish American principles of religious freedom, for his untiring efforts, his devotion and skill which brought him to the task of exposing the meaning and preventing the passage of the bill.

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The church which Dr. King has served since April, 1885, one of the most beautiful in the denominational list, is the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, which is the largest in the city, and will continue to be celebrated for three more days this week. As nearly as can be determined, it was early in November, 1872, that the Rev. William Hickson of the John Street Church in this city, erected the East River in a row boat and preached in the open air, with a lamp for a pulpit, near the Brooklyn entrance of the Bridge. As the weather was too cool for further outdoor services, he agreed to continue preaching if some one would furnish a place for meeting. A copper shop near the ferry was offered by the owner, and there the first Methodist class meeting on Long Island was held.

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reader, as God has waited six thousand years for an interpreter of His works."

If a mere discovery or recognition of God's methods of operation, or material means of salvation, were all that was needed, then restlessness are produced, so is the soul of man with holy fervor and admiration awe, what wonder that whenever God has created His works, the greater the admiration. What wonder that when the Creator of man and of man has been revealed and words have sprung from knowledge? What wonder that when the hand of man has been revealed by command, but by contrast, that flesh has trembled with fear or swelled with ecstasy. The Lord said unto Moses: "I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by." After the Lord had said this, Moses "made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth and worshipped." And when he descended from Sinai with the ten commandments, and when Aaron and all the Israelites came to Moses, they "shook their heads and shone, and they were afraid to come nigh him," and while he spoke to them "he put a veil on his face."

Then the prophet said, "Now the law is given through the word of the Lord, the Lord of Hosts, the whole earth is full of His glory." he said "Woe is me, for I am undone, mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of Hosts." And when the people of Israel did not obey the command of God, and Moses, in his anger, cast the law to the earth to lay low and prophesy at the feet of Christ upon the Mount of Transfiguration, we have this record, that Jesus took His three discourses, Peter, James and John, and transfigured before them; and His face did shine as the sun and His raiment was white as the light. And behold their apparel was girded about them, and they had a voice of the cloud, which said, this is my beloved Son. In whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him. And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces and were afraid, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. And when they had lifted up their eyes they saw no man save Jesus only."

Keiper included in his "Last Days" article, that we are shown how to be a good Christian, politician and trustworthy man. One thing, however, is certain, and that is that the Republican party cannot afford herself to make the slightest compromise with principles held by her friends in the candidate.

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BROOKLYN METHODISTS REJOICE.

GREAT GROWTH FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS—MANY CENTENNIAL SERVICES.

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COURT CALENDAR—TODAY.

ST. RAIL MAKES HOPE FOR BETTER TIMES—ADVANCE IN THE PRICE OF COAL.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 13.—**St. Rail** men are jubilant that there is an unnecessary alarm about the future. They do not think that the large railroad companies will much longer withhold their orders. These orders will amount to \$10,000 or \$15,000 tons. It is also possible that railroads will still say that the syndicate order is the only one that can be applied effectively in dealing with the saloon interest. Prohibition is impracticable, not only for the reason that it has failed whenever it tried to yield, but also because it is a bad example to the world.

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